GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:126
ANSWERED ON:09.03.2017
Improvement of NH 55
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has entrusted NH 55 to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) during 2012 for improvement;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken so far by NHAI in this regard;

(c) the present status of the work along with the likely date of commencement and completion of the project; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 126 ANSWERED ON 09.03.2017 ASKED BY SHRIMATI PRATYUSHA RAJESHWARI SINGH REGARDING IMPROVEMENT OF NH 55

(a) to (d) The Ministry entrusted the National Highway (NH) stretch connecting Cuttack to Sambalpur of NH-55 (km 0.00 to km 265.00) (Old NH No. 42) in the State of Odisha to the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in July, 2012.

The Concession Agreement for Project for four laning of Cuttack − Angul section of NH 55 (Length 112 km) was signed on 14.03.2012 on Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) −Toll basis. The Agreement was terminated with mutual consent on 14.07.2014 due to non-fulfillment of conditions precedent by both parties. Further, bids for the project were invited on BOT (Toll) mode twice; due to non-response on both the occasions, it has been decided to take up the project on Hybrid Annuity mode (HAM). The preparations of bid documents for seeking investment decision on HAM is in advanced stages.

The Concession Agreement for Project for four laning of Angul - Sambalpur section of NH 55 (Length 153 km) was signed on 13.03.2012 on BOT −Toll basis. The Agreement was terminated by NHAI on 21.11.2013 as the Concessionaire did not submit Performance Security within the period as stipulated in the Concession Agreement. The project has been awarded now for implementation on Engineering, Procurement, Construction (EPC) Mode and Contract Agreement has been signed on 04.01.2017 with Total Project Cost (TPC) of Rs. 1,255 crore. Target completion period for the project is 30 months from the Appointed Date of 03.03.2017.

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